February 2017 Librarian's Report Bradford Public Library

Administration:

Listen UP Vermont

In order to better serve and protect patron privacy we will be making changes to our library catalogue system to coordinate with the Green Mountain Library Consortium (GMLC) Listen Up Vermont audio/ebook service access. On Feb 20, all Koha patron user ID's will become standardized to the full 13 digit barcode number. Beginning March 1, patrons will be required to use their full 13 digit barcode to access accounts along with their Koha account password to access GMLC services. For help with your password, please speak with a librarian. After this change, frequent users of the service may lose access to current checkouts and holds.

VocRehab Vermont

BPL is serving as a training worksite for a local patron through the Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living. This young woman is doing light cleaning and other tasks on Tuesdays and Fridays for eight weeks. VocRehab carries both Workers Compensation and General Liability insurance for training placements at BPL.

Programs:

Winter Wellness, Meditation and Self Care

Winter Wellness- Yoga, Meditation and Self-Care

Feb 1, 6:30 PM

Dwindling light and the sheer potential of a new year can sometimes be a recipe for STRESS. Give yourself a needed break and attend to what is most important...replenishing the mind and body. Come join us at the library for some gentle yoga followed by tea, conversation and some helpful tips for ongoing self-care through the winter months. Yoga mats can be provided if requested in advance. No experience necessary. Emma Gibbs will lead the session. Come dressed ready to stretch with your mats.

VITA Tax Prep/Filing

Free Tax Preparation/Filing Assistance available at the library on Thursday's from 4-7pm and every other Saturday from 10 am - 1 pm beginning 2/4.(VITA) program offers free tax help to people who generally make \$54,000 or less, persons with disabilities and limited English speaking taxpayers who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns. VITA is sponsored by and all volunteers preparers receive training from the IRS and the Vermont Department of Taxes. Assistance will be For questions call/text Bradford volunteer Marcey Carver at 802-291-0525. (There will be no Tax Prep assistance available on February 23)

Story Hour 10 AM Friday mornings **Special STEM story hour** with Valley Cooperative Pre-school February 17

Teen Makers (BYMC)

Arron Heyerdahl from the Vermont Energy Education Program (VEEP) will present the *Electricity & the Environment / Magnetism Workshop* at the Feb 23 meeting. Participants will learn how electricity is generated and how can we use electricity efficiently and how efficiency can decrease the environmental impacts of electrical generation?

Teen Game Club

Thursdays , 4-6:00pm , beginning 2/2/2017

French Conversation

1st and 3rd Thursdays 4 PM, Bradford Public Library

Poetry Circle

1st Wednesday 4 PM

Hamilton: The Man and the Musical

March 1, Meet at the Bradford Public Library - 6:00 PM to carpool to the St Johnsbury Athenaeum. From his birth in the Caribbean to death in a duel, Alexander Hamilton's life was part romance, part tragedy—and the inspiration for the blockbuster Broadway musical. Hamilton biographer Willard Sterne Randall discusses the man and the musical, with excerpts from its score.